

Titanic Battle Now Rages In FRANCE

Today's despatches announce that the armies of Germany, France and England are engaging in the most titanic struggle of all time. A fierce artillery engagement is raging all along the front, which extends 100 miles. A victory for the Allies means the invasion of Germany.

In a statement from Berlin it is reported that their army are gaining ground in the centre and the allied flank has collapsed.

In the eastern theatre the victorious Russians are cutting off the Austrian retreat to Cracow.

A report that the German Emperor will take command of the army in East Prussia is published in Paris from a Berlin correspondent.

National Honor

As MADE IN ENGLAND.

Sir Edward Grey, Minister of Foreign Affairs, speaking in the House of Commons, London, Aug. 3rd, 1914:

"We replied that we could not bargain away whatever interests or obligations we have in Belgium."

"I would like the House to approach this crisis from the standpoint of British interests, British honor and British obligations."

"If we were to say that all these things mattered nothing, were as nothing, and to say we would stand aside, we should, I believe, sacrifice our respect, good name and reputation before the world."

As MADE IN GERMANY.

Herr Von Bethman Hollweg, Imperial Chancellor, speaking in the Reichstag, Berlin, Aug. 4, 1914:

"Our troops have occupied Luxembourg and perhaps are already on Belgian soil. Gentlemen, this is contrary to international law."

"Gentlemen, we are now in a state of necessity, and necessity knows no law."

"So we are compelled to override the just protest of the Luxembourg and Belgian governments, the wrong-I speak openly-that we are committing."

"Anybody who is threatened as we are threatened, and is fighting for its highest possessions can have only one thought-how to hack its way through."

Inside the Lines In Belgium

W. B. Nalder's brother Charles, who is laboring as a missionary in Europe in a letter to the Kaysville (Utah) Reflex writes interestingly of his experiences inside the lines of battle in Belgium. He was laboring at Leize and Serenon when war broke out and witnessed some of the fierce engagements in those places. He had great difficulty in proving that he was an American citizen, and in one instance a soldier nearly thrust his bayonet into him believing him to be a German spy.

He says the conditions on the continent are too horrible to describe. To quote his own words: "I saw one regiment of Belgians that was entirely annihilated by the Germans. They trapped them between two regiments and killed all but three. These three ran into houses and changed their uniforms for plain clothes and thus escaped." All of the Belgian elders were in London at the time of writing, Aug. 24th, waiting for instructions from the Liverpool office.

Last Saturday the Thompson elevator at Spring Coulee was destroyed by fire, and with it 10,000 bushels of wheat and 4,000 bushels of oats were scorched. The building was partially covered by insurance. The cause of the disastrous blaze is a profound mystery. This makes three elevators and a mill that have burned in Southern Alberta during the past four months.

Notice To The Farmers

E. L. Richardson, of Calgary, secretary of the Alberta Live Stock association, in a communication to The Leader, says:

In certain portions of southern and south-eastern Alberta, owing to the dry season and the scarcity of feed, there may be farmers and ranchers who would be glad to sell their stock or place the stock out on shares. In central and northern Alberta where the rainfall has been heavier, and there is an abundance of hay and forage crops, there are no doubt farmers who are in the market to purchase stock on shares.

If these parties will communicate their wants to E. L. Richardson, he would be very pleased to bring the parties together in an endeavor to help the live stock industry of the province.

Letters from Mr. and Mrs. H. Lightfoot, who left last month for London, England, state that they had a most exciting passage across the Atlantic. They were chased by two German cruisers who were anxious to capture their cargo of cheese and flour. The steamer travelled with her lights blanketed. Ice bergs were prevalent in large numbers, and in the dense fog they were almost rammed by another steamer. So intense was the excitement on board that one man went insane in a few minutes. But the climax was reached when they got to Plymouth and read that their boat had gone down with all on board.

Newsy Items of Local and General Interest

Snow fell for the first time this season last Tuesday.

Mr. Albert Powell left this week for Payson, Utah, where he will spend the winter.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid gave a successful social in the church last Friday evening.

On account of the inclemency of the weather the War Dance, advertised for Saturday evening was postponed.

Melvin Harris will leave shortly for Utah, where he will take up a position in one of the sugar mills of that state.

Floyd Wilde, of Welling, was taken to the Galt Hospital last Saturday suffering from an affection of the knee. He underwent a successful operation, and will like to return home in a few days.

J. M. Ross, of St. Helens, Oregon, president of the company owning the O.K. Farm, south of here, is visiting at the farm just now, and while their crop only averaged about ten bushels to the acre this season, he is not at all discouraged and still has faith in Alberta.

Walter Ackroyd, member of the High Council of the Taylor state, was an official visitor here Sunday. He addressed the people of the first ward at their afternoon service. Bishop Anderson also spoke.

In an official communication to T. Edwin Smith, whose letter to the Ottawa government, was published in these columns two weeks ago, the Minister of the Interior confirms the action of the government in reference to relief for needy farmers in the West. Accompanying the letter is a lengthy statement of the plan to be followed, and is substantially the same system that was outlined in the Leader in past issues. The assistance will consist of provisions for the family, feed for live stock and fuel, and applications for the same should be addressed to the Supervisor of Relief, one of whom is located at Lethbridge.

George Spieldel, of Blairmore, is a visitor in town.

The cost of the war to Great Britain from August 1st, based on official figures, has been \$106,500,000.

Jack Blair, brother of William Blair, has enlisted with the army medical corps, and he will leave Valcartier for the front very shortly.

D. G. Selman, Octave Ursenbach and Leroy P. Skouson visited Welling last Sunday in the interests of the Y.M.M.I.A.

Archie Robbins, physical director and instructor of manual training in the Knight Academy, arrived this week from Provo. Mr. Robbins, during his university course, was assistant physical director in the B.Y.U.

Miss Edith Meldrum and Wilford Meldrum left Saturday morning for Utah. The Leader understands that a very pretty nuptial knot will be tied on their arrival there. Miss Meldrum will become the bride of Mr. Thomas Simpson, of Provo, and they will make their permanent home in that city. Wilford will work in the sugar factory this winter.

Last Friday evening Miss Mattie Dudley very delightfully entertained a number of her friends at her home on Broadway. The evening was pleasantly spent in music and conversation, and at half time a dainty luncheon was served. Mrs. Dudley assisting. Those who were honored with bids to this jolly affair were Miss Stoddard, Miss Stevens, Miss Chipman, Miss Love, and Miss Noble and Messrs Selman, Powell, Wadsen, Rodeback, and Nilsson.

M. and Mrs. Alvin Amos, former residents of the city, were visitors here for a few days this week. They left Wednesday for Lethbridge, thence east to Moose Jaw, Regina, St. Paul, Chicago, Detroit and Toronto, where they will visit relatives. They may remain permanently in the east.

Successful Campaign in Interest of K. A.

After a week of travelling and speech-making, Supt. Cummings and Wm. A. Morton, of the Church School system, left for the south Thursday morning. They will next visit the Big Horn basin. They, in company with President Rounney and his faculty, and Pres. Allen, made a complete tour of the stakes, being received everywhere with enthusiasm. Never before has the Knight Academy been so genuinely boosted as on this trip, and prospects are unusually bright for a large and energetic student body.

Their visit in the Alberta stake was especially delightful. President Wood and his counselors accompanied them to the various

wards where spirited meetings were held. The people were enthused with educational work and all expressed their loyalty to the local institution.

Services were also held in the Taylor stake. Tuesday evening a mass meeting was held in the first ward chapel. Sport but enthusiastic speeches were made by each member of the faculty. Supt. Cummings followed in an interesting analysis of the church school system comparing it with other systems of education. He emphasized particularly the study of theology, the most important of all the sciences. "We are going to make this the best year in the history of the institution, and want your undivided support," he said.

Seed Grain For The West.

OTTAWA, Sept. 16.—A million bushels of seed grain is to be furnished by the government to the farmers of the west whose crops were a failure this year.

This, and plans for further assistance were formulated at a conference between Hon. Martin Burrell and expert representatives from the western provinces today.

NOTICE

Parents and School Children, please notice:

The School Law states that all children are expected to attend school every day.

James Heggie,
Treasurer.

Wedding Bells

A quiet but very pretty wedding was solemnized Wednesday evening when Bishop Evans united in marriage Miss Merle Kenney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney and Mr. Bert D. Kinsey, second son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Kinsey, the ceremony being performed at the bishop's residence in the presence of only near relatives. After the ceremony a light luncheon was served at the home of the bride. Both of the contracting parties are prominent in Raymond's younger set and they were showered with congratulations, among the which are those from The Leader staff. Mr. and Mrs. Kinsey will remain in Raymond a short time after which they will locate permanently in Salt Lake.

Tomorrow evening in the auditorium of the Knight Academy the grand opening exercises of the institution will be held, to which all are invited. There will be a good program rendered and it will be well worth your time to be present. It will show also that you are interested in the Academy.

A law which came into effect September 1st, compels all butter makers to have their names and addresses on the wrappers. Get them printed at the Leader Job Dept., the home of fine printing.

No More Foreclosures Till After War

L. F. Clarry, of Edmonton, master in chancery, has made the important announcement that no more orders for sale would be given for the specific performance of sale or foreclosure in mortgage actions until the end of the war.

Following this announcement, the judges of Alberta will oppose the giving of judgments in foreclosure proceedings in connection with mortgages, and those which come up in the sitting of the chambers, will likely be dealt with accordingly. The opinion expressed to the effect that the judges were opposed to giving judgment in these cases during the depression which is now felt everywhere, and which was brought on by war, a thing that cannot very well be prevented. The order, however, does not apply to anyone who has absconded from Alberta.

This action will be of great importance to many in the province, especially to the farmers who have suffered from poor crops and find it almost impossible to raise the necessary loans. In fact, an announcement will be gladly received in every part, for hundreds of citizens were hoping that relief of this kind might be granted until peace is once more declared and times have improved.

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F. C. Steele, Editor.

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The Lion And Her Whelps.

The magnificent response of England's colonial possessions to the call of the Motherland in her hour of peril is one of the finest demonstrations of fidelity in the history of civilization. When the Lion roared the Whelps rushed to her side, and very formidable whelps they are, too. If we are correctly informed, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, in fact, none of Britain's overseas dominions, are bound to rise to the assistance of the parent state in time of warfare. There is no agreement, treaty, alliance or covenant in existence that compels the Dominion of Canada to furnish men and money to fight for England on foreign soil. We are a free people, and therein lies England's strength and security.

The great measure of freedom and liberty which Britain grants her colonies beyond the seas, the protection she insures them, and the good, old Anglo-Saxon blood that flows through veins that run round the world is the cement that binds together the British Empire—the most wonderful consolidation of states known in the annals of history.

But the most striking instance of devotion and patriotism is the offer of India. Great wonder has been expressed that this offer of men and treasure should be made by a people diametrically opposed to Britain in race, religion and tradition. And it is really a wonderful thing. Today 25,000 of England's splendid Indian army is now in France fighting in the allied ranks, and from prince and plebeian in that great Empire of the East still comes offers of aid. And it is all due to England's gracious colonial policy—a policy that offers greater and broader opportunity for progress and advancement in every aspect of modern life. Britain has been the most wonderful administrator of alien peoples the world has ever seen. The reason for her success is to be found in the righteousness of her laws, and the liberty, toleration and fair play that follows the Union Jack wherever it floats.

Editorial Notes

The Knight Academy opens Monday morning. May the K. A. have a successful year and receive the support it merits.

The lads from the Highlands and that wear the kilts in the battle line may look like comedy but in truth it is tragedy. Ask the Germans.

The Calgary Albertan wisely suggests that Canada send a shipload of onions to the British army in the field. British onions and French garlic should help some in driving back the enemy.

"Two blades where one grew before," is a good slogan for the Alberta farmer for 1915. And in the meantime, do not forget our humble friend, the hog. He furnishes equally as much nourishment as does Alberta Red. Bacon is mighty fine ammunition.

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Notice is hereby given that the Judge of the District Court has appointed Tuesday, the 6th day of October, 1914, at 10 o'clock, a.m. for the holding of a Court at the Court House in the City of Lethbridge for confirmation of the Returns of Unpaid Taxes made under the provision of section 91 of The Local Improvement Act, covering the following Local Improvement Districts, viz.:

Small Districts Nos. 127 and 128.
Large Districts Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 31, 32, 33, 37, 38, 66, 67, 68, 97, 124, 125, 126.

Also for confirmation of the Return of Unpaid Taxes made under the provision of Section 19 of the School Assessment Ordinance by the Secretary-Treasurers of the following School District, viz.:

510, 584, 678, 825, 1145, 1156, 1308, 1379, 1409, 1431, 1464, 1524, 1528, 1531, 1546, 1549, 1553, 1574, 1580, 1676, 1698, 1707, 1749, 1761, 1787, 1794, 1795, 1850, 1858, 1847, 1879, 1921, 1972, 1975, 1981, 1982, 1985, 2000, 2016, 2024, 2043, 2056, 2072, 2080, 2090, 2099, 2107, 2152, 2153, 2170, 2181, 2183, 2198, 2202, 2210, 2217, 2250, 2255, 2299, 2336, 2399, 2378, 2399, 2422, 2423, 2461, 2430, 2440, 2447, 2456, 2459, 2475, 2510, 2540, 2541, 2548, 2597, 2623, 2630, 2647, 2692, 2708, 2707.

Also for the confirmation of the Tax Enforcement Return made under the provisions of Section 11 of the Educational Tax Act covering the lands located in the following Territorial Units:

Numbers, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 31, 32, 35, 37, 38, 66, 67, 68, 97, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128; as shown on official map prepared by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

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Next Tuesday evening in the first ward chapel the Y.L.M.I.A. will give a social to which all of the Mutual girls and their partners, together with a list of special guests, are invited. Refreshments will be served and a good program rendered.

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The provincial legislature will open October 7th, according to advices from Edmonton.

Special prices on dress goods, for he school girls. Fit the kiddies out at King's.

Heber Allen, Octave Ursenbich, Will Rodeback, Harold Stevens and Czar Falbanks have been called by the First Presidency of the Mormon church to fulfill missions. They are scheduled to leave Salt Lake City for the east on October 28th.

Paper has taken a leap upward on account of the war, and whole salers have ordered their price lists cancelled.

The hospitable home of Mrs. O.H. Snow was the scene of a very charming affair last Thursday evening, when Miss Edith Meldrum, bride-elect, was the honor guest. The evening was most enjoyably spent in games and music; and at eleven o'clock on was served. Miss Meldrum was presented with a beautiful sofa pillow, richly embroidered and stamped with the Union Jack as a happy reminder of her Canadian friends.

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"Department of Agriculture estimates there will be 200,000,000 bushels of wheat available for export. Normal requirement is 122,530,000 bushels for domestic use plus seed requirements of 77,000,000 bushels or total of 200,000,000. Present indications are that during the coming season domestic consumption will be unusually large on account of takings for livestock purposes, and that exportable surplus will find a good demand abroad."

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